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## Alumni Exceed Goal For Door Project

The usual atmosphere of expectancy and excitement prevailed at the Annual Alumni Banquet held in the University dining room on the evening of June 2. Nearly one hundred people, including graduates, alumni, and guests, gathered around the beautifully decorated tables to renew old acquaintances and to enjoy new friends.

Yellow spring flowers used as centerpieces, and imitation June bugs placed appropriately on the tables suggested the season of the year; and the room was lighted by a generous supply of yellow candles, which were also a part of the table decorations.

Lamar Modert '50, executive secretary of the association, introduced the toastmaster, Ian Hay '50, who contributed greatly toward an enjoyable evening. Joel Kettenring responded gratefully to the welcome extended by the toastmaster to the 36 seniors who were the honored guests of the evening. A

piano solo was offered by Della Huck Napier '50, and Misses Lois Weyhe '50 and Lou Rouch sang "Love Divine." A reading by Rebecca Craig, student guest, added a touch of humor to the program.

Rev. Ray Hargraves, of Spring City, brought a challenging message in which he emphasized the serious need for Christian education during this time of world-wide spiritual hunger.

ALUMNI. . . Got a new position? Move lately? Taken unto yourself a partner? Had an increase in the family? Receive a new degree? Know anything exciting? Send your latest news to "The Bryanette," Bryan University, Dayton, Tennessee.

Hearts were stirred at the Annual Alumni Banquet on June 2 as Ila Ruth Mahr '48, treasurer of the association, presented President Judson Rudd with a giant-sized check for \$1,635.67 as a gift from the association for the purchase of 46 steel doors. President Rudd expressed his deep gratitude for the rallying of the alumni to the urgent need of their Alma Mater.

Coming from out of town to attend the Banquet were Frank Brill '50, Robert Smith ex '51, Mr. ex '50 and Mrs. Orion Cook, Mary (Rogers) ex '46 and John Mims, Wayne Snider '50, Hugh Coombs '50, Leona Bell ex '52,

Beatrice Morgan '45, Dorothy (Morgan) Grote '45, Mary McPherson Griffin '38, Mabel (Arnold) Walker '40, Ruth '47 and Clyde '49 Simmons, Lois Shane ex '54, Ben Crump '50, and Emily Phillips '50.

Local Bryan alumni who drove to the Hill to attend the banquet were Grace Levengood '42,

Miriam Levengood ex '47, Elmira (Arnold) Green ex '34, Bertha Morgan '34, Mary Agnes (Hague) Purser ex '35 and Ben Purser ex '33, Juanita Pendergrass '36, Frances (Hogue) Cheers ex '38, and Reba (Arnold) Fitzgerald ex '34.

Other alumni attending the banquet were directly connected with the staff or the student body. Guests of the alumni also enjoyed the occasion.

### ALUMNI OFFICERS FOR 1951-52

Lewis Llewellyn. . . . . President  
John Harper. . . . . Vice-President  
Jean Neff. . . . . Secretary  
Clair Brickel. . . . . Treasurer  
Sam Hemberger. . . . . Chairman of Elections

Dayton Bank & Trust Co.  
DAYTON, TENN. May 31 1951  
PAY TO THE ORDER OF Bryan University \$1635.67  
Sixteen hundred thirty five and 67/100 DOLLARS  
For 46 Steel doors  
Ila Ruth Mahr, Treasurer of  
Bryan University  
Alumni Association

AN ADDITION OF \$102.14 WAS LATER MADE TO THIS GIFT, MAKING A TOTAL OF \$1,737.81

# LINKS

In the  
missionary  
chain

Paul ex '50 and Elaine '47 Syers are preparing for missionary work under the Brazil Gospel Fellowship, Springfield, Illinois.

Wanda Lautzenheiser, '49, has been accepted by the Far Eastern Gospel Crusade for work in Japan. She will leave in September if she is able to get her support by that time.

Angie Garber '47, Brethren Navajo Mission, Cuba, New Mexico.

"I suppose you have heard I was sent out to our Navajo Mission to be the teacher of our new Indian school to open this fall.

"The Navajos are very interesting with their colorful dress and silver and turquoise ornaments, but they are so ignorant of the Lord and His grace.

"Pray that we may be used of Him here to win them for His own.

"May the Lord continue to bless you in His work there. If any of you are out West, stop to see us. Company is a real treat out here."

(Angie received her Master of Religious Education degree from Grace Seminary this year.)

The April issue of "Christian Missions, Inc." carried a picture of Roger Bacon '50, as he was leaving New York aboard the "S.S. Foria," and a letter written by him from Algiers.

"After a wet, rough trip through New York to Lisbon, and a clear, cold trip from Lisbon to Casablanca, I changed to the SS Cote du Nord, which was at Casablanca the same time we were and which was going directly to Alger.

"I have a nice room here. One window looks out over the road, the other... toward the mountains and tangerine orchards."

While on furlough from Africa, John ex '37 and Agnes '36 de Rossett and their two children, Diane and Johnny, dined with the Bryan summer family on July 9 and toured the building. They plan to return to Africa in August.

Robert '50 and Mary Frances '49 Rosenau sailed for Paris, France on May 18 where they will study the language to be used in their missionary work in Africa.

Cleo Graham '45, Sudan Interior Mission, British West Africa, described in her recent prayer letter the pitiful condition of the African woman and concludes her letter with these words, "Now you see her. Don't forget her. Lift her up before God and ask things of Him for her. How wonderful are the blessings He has given us. Oh, that she too knew and trusted the Lord our God of grace and mercy and power. He would meet her every need and fill her troubled heart with joy. He would prepare a home for her and enfold her in His love. May God use us to meet her need."

## IN THE NEWS

On June 5, Durward Maynard ex '41 received his LLB degree from the University of Louisville. He writes, "Receiving the LLB is the culmination of a dream born on your campus many years ago. Our Father has been most gracious down through the years."

Ian Hay '50 received his M. A. degree in Biblical Education summa cum laude at the Columbia Bible College, Columbia, South Carolina, on May 28.

After three years of missionary work with the Oak Hills Fellowship in Bemidji, Minnesota, Ann Wildern '46 has returned to Bryan and is now serving as secretary to Dr. Rudd.

Major Vinton Fish ex '39 arrived in San Francisco on June 4 after three years of military service in Hawaii and Kwajalein. On July 14 he reported at an air base in Washington, D. C. where he will be stationed indefinitely.

Mrs. Mildred Swatzell Reeves ex '43 is planning to continue her college work at Howard College, Birmingham, Alabama.



Dorothy May ex '51 to Mike Richard Burkes, on June 9, at Central Baptist Church, Phenix City, Alabama.



Weddings

Verna Dell Abbott ex '53 to Don McClintock '51, on June 9, at Covington, Kentucky.

Lois Shane ex '54, to Hugo Gingrich '51, on June 16.

Ruth Ann Adams ex '51 to George Cone '49, on June 21.

Lois Teeter ex '52 to Russell Konves '52, on June 21, at Nanty-Glo, Pennsylvania.

Esther Humberd ex '48 to Gus Coats, on June 16.

Jacqueline Jones '50 to Rev. Cecil Lewis, July 29, at Dayton, Ohio.

Ian Hay '50 and June Bell '51 were married in the Bryan University Chapel on June 7. To add further to the joy of the event, Al '44 and Gwen '45 Wyllie were on the campus for the occasion and Al was best-man for the wedding ceremony.

#### CAMPUS VISITORS

Commencement season attracted many visitors to the campus among whom were Donald Monn ex '52, Ardelle Costley '50, Sam '44 and Anna '45 Kettenring, Al '44 and Gwen '45 Wyllie, and Mary Hooks ex '51.

Previous to the time of commencement Ben White '40 and his wife and daughter came to the campus while on furlough from Nicaragua. On May 6 Irene Correll Hall ex '49 and her husband enjoyed seeing the improvements on Bryan Hill. Also during the month of May we were happy to welcome Jay Tucker ex '51 and his wife to the campus for a visit.

Mr. ex '45 and Mrs. Kenneth Kennard enjoyed seeing the additions to the building when they were on the campus early in July. Kenneth is attending King's College, Kings College, Delaware for his residence work on a Ph. D. degree in philosophy.

On July 18 Virgil Sorge '44 came to Bryan

Hill to spend a few days. It seemed quite natural to see him working in the print shop during his visit.

#### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

The following letter from Lester E. Pifer ex '46, pastor of the Grace Brethren Church of Fremont, Ohio, should challenge each alumnus to take advantage of every opportunity to be of help to his Alma Mater:

"Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

"I have just received the letter from the Alumni Association with the list of new students for this coming year. I note under the State of Ohio that there are six or eight within the sound of our radio program. I am writing a personal letter to each one of these prospects telling them of my experience at Bryan and volunteering to talk with them or answer any questions that they may have in regard to the school. I feel that this would be a real help to a student who is interested in attending a new school. I will include in the letter a picture of the quartet that sings on the program and also my picture which is a part of the advertising that we use on the program. This may help to acquaint the prospects with the kind of 'material' Bryan University puts out.

I am always happy to receive the 'Newsetter' and to hear from Bryan in one way or the other. Certainly we praise the Lord for the progress that has been made during the past year, numerically and physically. We have quite a number of students who will be interested in college in the next few years. You can be sure that we will speak a good word for Bryan.

"P. S. Give our regards to all the folks there at Bryan and we wish you a very happy new school year in the Lord Jesus."

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"Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; who gave Himself for us, . . . ."

Titus 2:13

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Tibbs Maxey  
'34, Louisville,  
Kentucky.

"It was good to get the alumni paper and catch up on the news. I wonder if you know

that a member of the first graduating class, Franklin H. Bennett, is now preaching for the Christian Church at Ronceverte, West Va. and is a trustee for the College of the Scriptures? I wonder also if you know that Mona Finnell ex '36 is married to James Owen of New York City and has four girls? She and her husband are now in North Carolina where he is training as a reserve officer in the marine corps. Harold Tadlock ex '35 is one of the editors of the largest free circulation weekly newspaper in the northwest, the 'Minneapolis Free Press.' I have been pleased to have contact with other Bryan folks in the Louisville area by phone or by mail.

"We are now closing our sixth year as president of the College of the Scriptures. We are also pleased to announce a new text book, 'Class Notes on Acts,' which I have written and which will be published this summer. A companion volume will be 'A New Commentary on Acts' by Professor Edsil Dale of Cincinnati Bible Seminary. I am planning to send your library an autographed copy when it comes off the press."

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Mary Rogers Mims ex '46, Birmingham, Alabama. "...John and I would like to have a door—just any door will be all right. I tried to decide which door I'd choose if choice were given me—prayer room? class room? dining room? dorm room? Each closes in so many wonderful experiences; closes out so much of the commonplace and confusion, that any Bryan door offers entrance to rich experiences. I wish we could buy a room, a floor, a wing, but castles in the air belong to dreams for the future. For the present—just a door, please. Our check is enclosed, which will, we hope, cover hinges, knobs, tacks, and tax.

"We look forward to seeing all you folks at Bryan. Six years will certainly make a difference in my home-coming."

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Margaret Lowe ex '41, Orlando, Florida. "I've seen a number of former Bryanites recently, and it's always like a family reunion. I see Ruth Ella Williams and Ruth Clement, as well as Miss Dorothy Hill at the DuBose Bible classes on Friday night. I also see Homer Wright ex '43 occasionally as I carry my automobile insurance with him. He, incidentally, has his own agency here now.

"I'm to be at John Hopkins again this summer, and I'm wondering if there are any Bryanites in the Baltimore area. If so, I'd surely appreciate knowing it. I was there most of last summer, and didn't know a soul within hundreds of miles. I plan to drive up this year and want to come home by way of Tennessee. . .and Bryan."

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Bethel Smith Sawyer ex '45, Fairmount, Indiana.

"We have been very, very busy trying to locate about two thousand people who will be here in Fairmount for the General Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

"Enclosed is a little gift. I think much of Bryan."

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Mrs. Lucile Haskins Merrell ex '36, Lenoir City, Tennessee, is planning to attend Tennessee Wesleyan College, Athens, Tennessee.

"I often thank God for my wonderful days at Bryan in '32 and '33."

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Ward ex '45 and Agnes (Fay) Tressler announce the arrival of Deborah Ann on June 10 at Chico, California.

Kenneth John was born to Joel '51 and Pauline ex '51 Kettenring on June 1, at Dayton, Tennessee.

Lila Ruth made her appearance in the home of Lauren '51 and Barbara Hoyt on June 10.

George ex '49 and Marjorie ex '49 Westrom announced the arrival of Sylvia, in May.

